MISSOURI COURT OF APPEALS WESTERN DISTRICT

SHANNON BLACKWELL

RESPONDENT,

v.
DIRECTOR OF REVENUE

APPELLANT.

DOCKET NUMBER WD78669

DATE: May 3, 2016

Appeal From:

Clay County Circuit Court The Honorable Karen L. Krauser, Judge

Appellate Judges:

Division Three: Gary D. Witt, Presiding Judge, James E. Welsh, Judge and Anthony Rex Gabbert, Judge

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MISSOURI APPELLATE COURT OPINION SUMMARY

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The Director of Revenue (the "Director") appeals a trial court's judgment setting aside the revocation of Shannon Blackwell's driving privileges. The Director argues that the trial court erred in excluding the results of Blackwell's blood alcohol test.

WE REVERSE AND REMAND

Division Three holds:

(1) The trial court erred in excluding the blood alcohol test because the Director failed to show that the simulator used to test the breath analyzer had been calibrated against a National Institute of Standards and Technology approved thermometer in connection with the simulator's maintenance after Blackwell's blood alcohol test was administered. Any failure to calibrate after a blood alcohol test is administered goes to weight of the evidence not admissibility.

Opinion by Gary D. Witt, Judge

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